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Phyllis Bustamante  
Acting Manager  
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New Mexico Environment Department  
P.O. Box 5469  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-5469

Re: Section 27, JJ No. 1, Mount Taylor, St. Anthony Uranium Mines

Dear Ms. Bustamante:

Enclosed are four (4) Superfund Site Strategy Recommendations (SSSRs) drafted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 for uranium mines in the Grants Mining District in New Mexico for which EPA is deferring action of these mines to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED). The SSSRs summarize information and data compiled for each of the mine sites.

EPA understands that NMED will pursue mine operators under New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission regulations for further investigation and cleanup. The EPA requests progress updates on any actions taken at these mine sites.

We look forward to continuing to work with you on the very important issue of legacy uranium mining.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Lisa Marie Price", is positioned above the typed name.

Lisa Marie Price  
Grants Mining District Coordinator  
EPA Region 6

Enclosure

cc: Jerry Schoeppner, NMED  
John Pfeil, NMEMNRD